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PATENT APPLICATION
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Dario BARBERIS et al.

Filed: July 06, 2000

For: CONTROL AND COMMUNICATION SYSTEM FOR RAILWAY TRAINS

Ass't Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

ATT: APPLICATION BRANCH

Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to the examination of the above identified application and to the calculation of the fees, please amend this application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Claim 8, line 1, change "claims 6 and 7" to -- claim 6 --.

Please add the following new claim:

al -- 11. A system according to claim 7, wherein the slave control units are arranged to allow the passage of electrical power from one transmission line to the other which are connected, when they receive the said transfer command signal, in such a way that when both the said transmission lines are interrupted, each between different pairs of slave control units, all the said slave